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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON: -F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lanc, Lombard Street. George Street, 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOTOH, Ludgate Circus, E. C. BATES, HENDY & Co., 4, Old Jewry, E.C. SAMUEL DRACON & Co., 150 & 164, Leadenhall Street, NEW YORK :-- ANDREW WIND, 138, Not-

sau Street. AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND :-GORDON & GOTOH, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally :- BEAR & BLACK, San Fran-

CHINA:-Swatow, QUELOR & CAMPBELL, Amoy, WILSON, NICHOLLS & Co. Foochow, HEDEL & Co. Shanghai. LAME, CRAWFORD & Co., and KELLY & WALSH. Manila, C. HRIMBERN & Co. Macao, L. A. DA GRAGA. ..

#### Bank.

HONGKONG & BHANGHAI BANK. ING CORPORATION.

AID-UF CAPITAL, 4.5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND,..... 500,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS. Chairman-H. Hoppius, Esq. Deputy Chairman-F. D. SASSOON, Haq. E. R. BELILIOS, Esq. WILHELM REINERS, W. H. FORBES, Esq. Bon. W. KESWICE. | ED. TOBIN, Esq. A. McIVEB, haq.

CHIBP MANAGER: Hongkong, . . THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.

Managor. Shanghai, . . Ewen Camebon, Esq. · LONDON BANKEBS. - London and County Benk

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED Of Per cent. per annum on the daily balanes.

On Rixed Deposits : -For 3 months, 2 per cent, per annum. 4 per cent. 1200 , 5 per cent; 11,

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED. Oredits granted on approved Securities,

and every description of Banaing and Exchange business transacted. Drafis, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan. T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager. Offices of the Corporation, No. I, Queen's Road Bast. Hongkong, March 29, 1876.

## Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

WILHELM CARL ENGEL-BRECHT von PUSTAU, Junior, and Mr CONRAD MUNROE DONNER have been admitted Partners in our Firm from the First of January, 1877. WM. PUSTAU & Co.,

Hongkong, Canton, Shanghai. Hongkong, April 16, 1877.

NOTICE.

TATE have This Day Opened a Branch of our Firm at Shanghal. Mr CARL KREBS has been admitted a Partner from This Date. MELCHERS & Co.

Hongkong, April 12, 1877.

NOTICE.

HENRY L. DENNYS will act as SECRETARY, LIBRARIAN, and CURATOR of the CITY HALL from and after the 11th Instant.

By Order of the Committee, N. B. DENNYS,

Secretary.

Hongkong, April 10, 1877.

NOTICE.

TIE have This Day Established a Branch of our Firm at Shanghat under the Management of Mr ALFRED F. O. KRAUSS. who will sign for us by Procuration, CARLOWITZ & Co.

Canton and Hongkong, April 1, 1877.

NOTIOE.

TR. EDWARD BURNIE Will Conduct the Business of my Office, during my Temporary Absence from the Colony. R. H. CAIRNS,

Surveyor to Local Offices. and Lloyds Register of Shipping.

2 Club Chambers, Hongkong, March 17, 1877.

VIOTORIA DISPENSARY. N and after the 16th day of November, 1876, and until further notice; the BUSINESS of the above-named DISPEN. SARY will be carried on by the Under- description, at purchasers risk on the fall signed.

WM. ORVICKSHANK, Manager.

Hongkong, Nevember 21, 1876.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

THURSDAY,

the 19th day of April, 1877, at Noon, at No. 34, Hollywood Road,-UNDER DISTRAINT, THE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

Consisting of: DRAWING, DINING AND BED-ROOM SUITES.

A COTTAGE PIANO. TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.1 All Lots with all faults and errors description, at Purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. GUEDES, Jr., Austioneer. Hongkong, April 17, 1877.

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

ANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Sale Room, Praya Central, on

FRIDAY.

the 20th April, 1877, at Noon,-Morton's Oilman's STORES,-Pickles, Salad Oil, Mustard, Vinegar, Jam, Raisins, Tartfruits, Oatmeal, Yarmouth Bloaters, Cheese, Table Salt,

Ivory and Bone-handled Table Cutlery, Electroplated Tea-sets, Inkstands, Date Cards, Account Books, Envelopes, Writing Ink, Mosquito Net, Cotton Socks.

A Light Two-oared Rowing BOAT, 20 feet long, with Oars, Mast, Sails, Etc. A UANOE, with Paddle, Sail, Etc., complete:

TERMS OF SALE,—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7. The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, April 17, 1877. ap20 PUBLIC AUCTION.

HANDSOME ENGLISH & VENETIAN-MADE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, OIL PAINTINGS, GLASS-WARE

PLATED-WARE,

THE Undersigned has received instructions from F. Peit, Esq., to sell by Public Auction, (previous to his departure for Shanghai), on

FRIDAY.

the 27th day of April, 1877, at 2 o'clock p.m., at his Residence, No. 1, Praya

The whole of his HANDSOME ENGLISH and VENETIAN-MADE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., comprising --

English-made Suite of Furniture. Covered with Green Damask. Venetian Inlaid Blackwood Table and Chairs, Blackwood Carved Side Tables.

Carpet, Hearthrugs, Rep Window Cur-Richly Carved Oak Sideboard, Richly Oak-Framed Pier Glass and

Flower Stands, Dining Table, Buffet Whatnots, and Dinner Trays, Oil Paintings, Oil Cloth, and Clocks. Dinner and Dessert Sets, Glass-ware,

Plated-ware, &c., &c. Library Oak Book case and Desks, Inlaid Blackwood Lady's Desk, Tables Chairs, Easy Chairs, and Chess Table, Brass Bedsteads, English-made Maho-

gany Marble-top Dressing Table and Washstand, Wardrobe, with Plate Glass Trade of the TAKU TUG AND LIGHTER Door, Cheval Glass, &c. Gasaliers, Gas Brackets, Stair Carpet,

with Brass Stair Rods, Marble-top Tables, Bronze Statuettes, &c.

proof Safe, &c., &c.

One HOUSE BOAT and One SKIFF. After which, at the Godown;-

10 Tons ARTIFICIAL MANURE. 1 SAW MILL, by Forrest & Bart, Engineers, Glasgow.

TURNING LATHE and various MACHINERY.

At the Yard of Mesers Inglis & Co.,-One 12-H.P. TWIN SCREW ENGINE.

Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after Thurs. day; the 26th Instant:

TERMS OF SALE .- Unsh before delivery in Metitan Dollars weighed at 7.1.7 All Lots, with all faults and errors of of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Augionger.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

ELEGANT AND SUBSTANTIAL, MOSTLY FRENCH AND ENGLISH-MADE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, ENGRAVINGS, OIL PAINTINGS, GLASS-WARE, CRUCKERY, AND PLATED-WARE,

French Consul, to self by Public Auction, Philippine, China, or Japan trade. She underwent general Repairs in 1875, when

MONDAY

the 23rd day of April, 1877, at 2 o'clock p.m., at his Residence, Robinson Road,-The whole of his Elegant and Substantial HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, do., comprising :-

Three French-made Pearwood Drawingroom Suites, Covered with Damascus and French Silk. French-made Pearwood Marble-top

Cheffonier, Table, and Card Table. Blackwood Marble-top Carved Tables, Old Italian Carved Framed Looking

Gilt Framed Pier Glasses, Engravings Drawings, Oil Paintings, Moderator Lamps, Statuettes.

Persian Carpets. Turkish Table Covers Palesander Wood Writing Table, English-made Mahogany Table, and Desk Chair. French-made Rosewood Inlaid Book-

case, Work Table, and Set of Drawers, Louis XVI. French-made Bedroom Strite, Covered

with Silk, Louis XVI. Teakwood Extension Dining Table, Mahogany Sideboard, Arm Chairs; Teak Whatnots, Dinner, Dessert, and Breakfast Sets, Glass and Plated-ware, &c.

Iron Bedsteads and Spring Mattresses. Palesander Wood Wardrobe, with Plate Glass Door, Double-wing Lady's Wardrobe. English-made Bedroom Chairs, Dress-

ing Table, Washstands, WINES. A LARGE SELECTION OF FLOWERING PLANTS.

Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after Saturday, the 21st Instant.

TERMS OF SALE. - Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at Purchasers' risk on the fall of the

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer. Hongkong, April 12, 1877. ap23 | tion to

for Sale.

FOR SALE. UTLER PALMER & Co.'s Celebrated

Brands of WINES and SPIRITS.

Apply to SIEMSSEN & Co. Hongkong, June 22, 1876.

FOR SALE. TTENRIOT & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE,

Carte Blanche "Dry." TH. ROEDERER & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE Car e Blanche. JOHN DURAND & Co.'s CLARETS and WHITE WINES. STARTUP & KENTISH'S PORTS and SHERRIES.

Moullon & Co.'s COGNACS, 1,2, 8 Stars. BLANCHY FREEEE & Co.'s COGNACS. JUSTUS LEMBKE & Co.

Hongkong April 9, 1.77. FOR SALE, TENDER, the whole Stock-in-

COMPANY, consisting of the following Steamers :-Carrying Capacity Steam Tug & Lighter Algering .... 3,500 pols. Pathylnder, 1,800 1,

Tenders will Receive immediate atten-Apply to

TAKU TUG & LIGHTER Co., TANU. Taku, March 12, 1877.

NOW READY.

CHINESE DIOTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT. Part I., A to K, with Introduction. Royal 8vo., pp. 202. By ERNEST JOHN EITEL, Ph.D.

Prical Two Dollars and a Hatt. To be had from Messes Lane, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai and Mesars KELLY & WALSH, Shanghal.

Hougkong, February 8, 1877.

WASHING BOOKS (In Engilth and Chinese VELASHERMAN'S HOOKS, for the nes of Ladies and Gentlemen, see now ready at this Office-Price; \$1 each. ORINA MAIN ORBIG

for Sale.

FOR BALE,

THE IRON SUREW STEAMER

New SAILS, RIGGING, and a complete

THE above Steamer was Built in Glas- would gow in 1872 by Messes Dobbie & Day. Co., under special survey of Lloyds', and Her MACHINERY AND BOILER were made by Messrs James Howden & Co., under special inspection. She was con-IE Undersigned has received instructed to carry a large Cargo on a light tions from ADAM SIENKIEWICZ, Esq., draft of water and is well-adapted for the

> Outfit were supplied by the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, and in March of the present year her Engines and Boiler were thoroughly overhauled. DIMENSIONS.-Longth between Perpendiculars, 170 feet. Beam, 26 feet 3 inches, Depth of Hold from Ceiling to Main Deck

9 feet 5 inches, Height from Main Deck to under side of Awning Deck, 7 feet 45 GROSS TONNAGE,-550 Tons. CLASS,- Built to Class 100 A at Lloyds .

Rre, -- Brig Rigged. CARGO CAPACITY .- About 9,000 piculs, or 626 tons Measurement (40 feet.) DRAFT.-Light 9 feet : Loaded 121 feet. Speed.-Eight knots on consumption of 81 to 9 tons of coals per 24 hours.

BUNKER CAPACITY. - 75 tons coals, -Cabin. - Under Awning Deck aft isaloon, pantry and five state rooms, with accommodation for 12 first-class passengers.

MACHINERY.

Engine. - A pair of Howden's patent High and Low pressure Engines of 90 Horse Power nominal; High Pressure Cylinder 25 inches, and Low Pressure Cylinder 45 inches in diameter : Stroke 30 Inches. PROPELLER.—Bessemer Steel of 4 Blades,

with One Spare Set of Blades. Winch.-One Steam Winch with Donker Boiler on Deck.

Boller,-One Horizontal Tubular Boiler 11 feet diameter, with 8 Furnaces, tested for a working pressure of 60 pounds.

MORBIS & RAY. Hongkong, March 29, 1877.

FOR SALE. MARINE ENGINE of 20 Horse Power Nominal, High and Low Pressure, with Extra SURFACE CONDENSER and TUBULAR BOILER. Consumption, Tons per 24 Hours.

The Engine is quite new; was manufactured by Messra Matthew Paul & Co., Dumbarton, and is now deposited in the Godown of the late firm of Russell & Sturgis, Manila.

Particulars may be obtained on applica-MORRIS & RAY.

Hongkong, March 29, 1877. Intimations

HONGKONG. GAUPP &

WATCHMAKERS & JEWELLERS. 38, Queon's Road, NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS. CHRONOMETERS.

&o., &c., Carefully Repaired, Cleaned and accurately rated under guarantee. All Repairs in the above line done at reasonable rates and with despatch.

Hongkong, May 1, 1876. NOTICE. THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the HONG KONG OLUB will be Held at the CLUB

HOUSE on THURSDAY, the 19th Inst.,

at Half past Four o'Clock in the Afternoon. By Order, EDWARD BEART, Secretary.

Hongkong, April 11, 1877. IN THE SUPREME COURT OF

IN BANKRUPTOY.

HONGKONG.

ATOTICE is hereby given that the First MEETING OF THE CREDITORS of THOMAS THORNTON ANTHONY, of Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, former-ly trading in Co-partnership with Cast HEINRICH EIBERT SEIMUND of the same place, as Storekeepers and Shipchandlers at No 62, Praya Central, Victoria, aforesaid, under the Style or Firm of "BROADSEAR AntHont & Co.," who was adjudged Bankrupt on the Brd day of April, 1877. will be Held, pursuant to the 57th Section of "The Bankruptcy Ordinance 1804," in the Supreme Court House before FREDERICK Sowiet Huyvam, Esq., Acting Registrar of the said Court, on WEDNESDAY, the 25th day of April, 1877, at Eleven o'Clock in the Borencon precisely. At the said Meeting, the said Acting Registrar will preside, and will Receive the Proofs of the Debts of Creditors, and the Creditors may shouse an Assigned of Assigneed of the Bankrupt's ediate and effects. Dated this 18th day of April, 1877. SHARP, TOLLER & JOHNSON.

Bollolites Acting in the Bankrupley.

Supreme Court House,

Intimations.

DENTAL NOTICE.

who wish to Consult him professionally would make an appointment for an Early

HOURS FOR CONSULTATION: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. . No.: 1, Alexandra Terrace. Hongkong, April 4, 1877.

shipping.

Steamers.

FOR MANILA. The Steamship "ESMERALDA," Captain THEBAUD, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 21st Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to A. MACG. HEATON. Hongkong, April 16, 1877.

FOR COOKTOWN, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE. The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer "SOMERSET" will be despatched as above. rum bundaPuRE, on or about the 30th

Instant. For Freight, apply to the Undersigned, who are prepared to grant through Bills of Lading.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

spatched as above on or about

Agents. Hongkong, April 13, 1877.

FOR SHANGHAI & HANKOW. The British Steamship Johnson, Master, will be de-

the 28th Instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to WM. PUSTAU & Co.,

Hongkong, April 16, 1877. FOR SHANGHAL

The German Steamship: "FERONIA," Captain H. Schultz, shortly expected from HAMBURG and SINGAPORE, will receive immediate despatch

For Freight or Passage, apply to WM. PUSTAU & Co., Ag mill.

NOTICE. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

Hongkong, April 13, 1877.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS. The Company's Steamship Comdt. REYNIEE, will be despatched for YUKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French

H. DU POUEY. Hongkong, April 11, 1877.

NOTICE. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship Comdt. LORMIER, will b despatched for SHANGHA shortly after her arrival from Europe.

H. DU POUEY, Hongkong, April 11, 1877.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR LONDON. The British Ship "ANGLO SAXON." C. HARRINGTON, Master, will load here and have immediate

For Freight, apply to Hongkong, March 9, 1877. FOR LONDON. The A 1 Olipper Ship

GARRICCE, Master, will have quick despatch as above. For Freight, apply to WM. PUSTAU & Co.,

Agente.

Hongkong, April 11, 1877. FOR MANILA (DIRECT.) The Spanish Scho ner "NUEVO CONSTANTE, URIARTE, Master, will have quich despatch as above.

For Freight or Passags, apply to REMEDIOS & Co. Hongkong, April 8, 1877,

Shipping.

FOR MANILA.

The Spanish Bark CEBADA, Master, will be despatched for the above Port on

SIEMSSEN & Co.,

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 American Bark "ROSETTA MONEIL," Brown, Master, will load here

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The Russian Bark "RURIK" Burgeland, Master, will have

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, April 5, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK.

despatch as above. For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

here and will have quick

The British Bark Captain MCNAIR, will lead here

for the above Ports, and will have quick despatch. For Freight or Passage, apply to HOP KER & Co.

notices to consignees.

by her are hereby informed that their Goods

uptional Cargo will be forwarded to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary is given before 3 p.m. To-day. Goods remaining undelivered after the 19th instant will be subject to rent.

Bills of liading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

are being landed at their risk by the Under-

signed into their Godowns, whence and/or

Hongkong, April 12, 1877.

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE. HIS Steamer having arrived, Consigness of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed, at their risk, into the Godowna of Mr. A. McG. HEATON. whence delivery may be obtained and I Consignees wishing to receive their

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary bet given before Noun To-day. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 20th Instant will be

No Fire Insurance has been effected:

subject to rent.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agente. Hongkong, April 13, 1877.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERINS MARITIMES. B. B. IRAOUADDY.

NOTIOE. ONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. Conernie, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being anded and stored at their risk at the Jompany's Godowns, whence delivery may se obtained immediately after landing. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, inless intimation is received from the Condgnees, before 11 o'clock To-DAY, request-

ng it to be landed here. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by he Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after Ties DAT, the 10th Inst., at Roon, will be subject to rent and landing charges. No Fire Institutes has been effected.

Hongkong, April 5, 1877.

H. DU POUEY

Sailing Vessels, R. STOUT intends visiting JAPAN

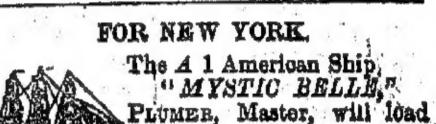
> or about the 20th Instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to

> > Hongkong, April 3, 1877.

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Hongkong, April 14, 1877.

For preight, apply to



Hongkong, March 10, 1877. FOR BATAVIA & SAMARANG. "MARQUIS OF ARGYLL,"

Hongkong, April 7, 1877.

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE. 11HE S. S. Glenearn, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo

from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be No Fire insurance has been effected.

CASTLE LINE OF STEAMERS. FLEURS CASTLE,

Goods on the Wharf are at liberty to

#### Intimations.

THE MEDICAL HALL, 87, Queen's Road, Hongkong. ESTABLISHED 1853. TH. KOFFER, Proprietor. Hongkong, April 28, 1876.

#### AH YON,

BHIPS' COMPRADORE AND STEVEDORE, No. 57, Praya West.

SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S STORES

Of the best quality and at the shortest notice. Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

TO WONG HING CHEUNG & Co., COAL MERCHANTS, Have always on hand for Sale every description of COAL at Moderate Prices. Mr Anyon has been appointed Manager, and all Orders addressed to him at 57, Praya, or to Mr FAT JACK, at 30, Hing Lung Street, will receive immediate atten-

Hongkong, March 19, 1877.

#### Not Responsible for Debts.

Noither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Kesponsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour :---

MYSTIC BELLE, American ship, Captain David Flumer.-Stemssen & Co.

Rosma, American 3-m. schooner, Capt. C. W. Hansen, -Arnhold, Karberg & Co. ROBETTA Mc. ELL, American barque, Captain Brown. - Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. ABGONAUT, British ship, Captain John Anderson. - Meyer & Co.

NYASSA. British ship, Captain W. S. Garricok. - Douglas Lapraik & Co. CORINNE, British Barque, Captain Wm. Robertson - Wieler & Co.

## NOW READY.

THING SHUL; or THE RUDINERTS OF NATURAL SCIENCE IN CHIMA. By Dr. E. J. EITEL One Volume, Sve. Price.

BUDDHISM, Its History, Theory and Porulas Religion, in three Lectures. By Dr. E. J. EITHL. Second Edition. One Volume. 8vo. Price, \$1.50.

Orders will be received by Messas Lane, Crawford & Co. Hongkong, July 31, 1873.

## To Let.

TO LET. ATO, S. PECHLLI TERRACE, ELGIN STREET, with Immediate Possession.

Apply to LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, February 7, 1877.

TO LET. TOUSE No. 10, Albany Road, at present occupied by the Rev. R. H. Kidd. Bisnee Villa, Pok-foo-lum, Furnished. DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co. Hongkong, February 15, 1877.

TO LET.

THE Upper Portion of Nos. 42 and 44, Queen's Road. The Dwelling House and Offices No. 1 D'Aguilar Street, at present in the occupation of Messrs Douglas Laprain & Co., Possession from the 1st May next.

Apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, November 17, 1876.

## To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW. The Steamship Capt. J. E. Punchard, will Form To-MURROW, the 19th Instant, at Daylight, instead of as previously notified.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, April 18, 1877. FOR SHANGHAL & NEWCHWANG.

The Steamship "YANGTSZE," E. Schultze, Master, will be despatched for the above

Forts on FRIDAY, the 20th Instant, at 9 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to

BLEMSSEN & Co. Hongkong, April 18, 1877. FOR SINGAPORE AND PENANG. The Steamship

"GADSHILL" Captain RANZON, will leave for the above Ports on TUES. DAY, the 24th Instant, at 8 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to JAKDINE, MATHESUN & Co.,

Hongkong, April 18, 1877.

NORTH CHINA INSURANCE CO.

1875-1877.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND of One Hundred Taels I (Tis. 100) for SHARE, Sanctioned at the General Meeting of Shareholders. Held on the 9th Inst., will be Payable at the Hongmond and Shandhai Bant on and after FRIDAY, 18th April, 1877. Warrants for the Return on Premia for

the Year 1876 will be issued shortly, on completion of the adjustment of the Contributory Accounts.

By Order of the Court of Directors. HERBERT S. MORRIS, Churghs!, April 10, 1877.

### SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS. April 17, Danube, British steamer, 561, A. Clanchy, Bangkok April 9, Rice .-YUEN FAT HONG. April 18, Djemnah, French steamer, 2129, Champenois, Shanghai April 13, Mails and

General -- MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. April 18, Anchises, British steamer, 1304, C. Butler, Liverpool Feb. 28, Suez March 15, Galle April 3, Penang 7, and Singapore 11. General. - BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE. April 18, Chun Tung, Chinese R. C., from Canton.

DEPARTURES. Apr. 18, Feihoo, Chinese R. C., for Canton. 18, China, for Ningpo and Shanghai. 18, Saivadora, for Amoy.

18, Young Siam, for Bangkok. 18, Bertha, for Quinhon. 18, Nautitus, German man-of-war, for Nagasaki.

#### CLEARED. Cairnamuir, for Saigon. Yesso, for Swatow, &c. Washi, for Hoihow, Pakhoi, &c. Mary Goodell, for Iloilo.

#### PASSENGERS.

Per Djemnah, from Shanghai: for Hongkong, Mesara Newell, Carnegy, Carvalho, Hippieley, Nelson, and 6 Uhinese; for Marseilles, Mr Nissen, Mr and Mrs Winton and infant, Mr and Mrs Imbert and infant, Messes Mg. Banci, Jamieson, Blane, J. Mackenzie, Mrs Bell and Z infants, Messia Searle, Kyle, and Mallendore.

Per Danube, from Bangkok, Revd. Mr MacDonald, Mr Bradley, 4 European Seamen, and 93 Chinese. Per Anchises, from Liverpool, Mr and

Mrs Boraous, child and 2 native servants. Mr Fernando, and 420 Chinese from Penang and Singapore. TO DEPART.

Per Washi, for Hoihow, &c., 3 Europeans and 50 Chinese. Per Mary Goodell, for Iloilo, 1 European.

SHIPPING REPORTS: The British steamer. Danube reports : In the Gulf of Stam moderate S.E. winds and fair weather. From Pulo Obi to Cape Padaran strong E.N.E. winds and heavy sea. To Lat. 21 N. moderate S.E. winds and fair weather, thence to port strong Northerly winds with rain, thunder and

The British steamer Anchiess reports Experienced fine weather with light N. N.E. winds up the China sea, and strong N.E. with thick rainy weather, at 4 p.m. on the 17th, when we made the Ladrones.

#### Shipping Intelligence. home beipping.

The following is corrected from the latest London Papers :-

DEPARTURES. Nov. 21, America, from Cardiff to Hong-Nov. 28, Western Chief, from London to Nov. 28, Madura, from Cardiff to Hong-Nov. 28, Hannah Law, from Cardiff to Nov. 28, New Era, from Cardiff to Hong-Dec. 4, Benclutha, from Cardiff to Hong-Dec. 17, A. E. Vidal, from Hamburg to Dec. 17, Carricks, from London to Hong- The English Contract Packet GEELONG. Dec. 19. Channel Queen, from Cardiff to Hongkeng.

Dec. 20, Chinaman, from London to Hong-Dec. 22, Sophie, from New York to Hong-Dec. 28, Inc., from Greenock to Swatow.

Dec. 28, John Nicholson, from New York to Shanghai. Dec. 27, Unding, from London to Shanghai. Dec. 29, Canasa, from Cardiff to Hong-Jan. 4, C. R. Bishop, from London to Jan. 11, Windhover, from London to

Jan. 42, Woodhall, from Hamburg to Hong-Jan. 12, Hope, from London to Hongkong. Jan. 16, Gryfe, from Cardiff to Hongkong. Jan. 18, Batavia, from Hamburg to Hong-

Jan. 31, Forward Ho, from London to Feb. 1, Robert Henderson, from Buryport to Hongkong. Feb. 2, Polynesia, from Cardiff to Hong-

Feb. 5, Carrival, from Cardiff to Hongkong. Feb. 8, Daphne, from London to Hong. Feb. 12, Leading Wind, from Antwerp to Hongkong Feb. 15, Bertha (str.), from Cardiff to

Feb. 17, Therese Behn, from Cardiff to Hongkong, Feb. 18, Matchless, from Cardiff to Honge Feb. 19, Castus O., from Cardiff to Hong-

Feb. 19, F. P. Lichfield, from Cardiff to Feb. 19, Maipu, from Cardiff to Hongkong.

Feb. 20, Penrith, from London to Hong-Feb. 22, Enid, from London to Hongkong. Feb. 22, Osaka, from London to Hongkong. Feb. 22, Belted Will, from London to

Shanghai. Feb. 26, Feronia (str.), from Hamburg to Feb. 25, Argentino (str.), from London to

China and Japan. Fob. 27, Gold Hunter, from Cardiff to Hongkong

Feb: 28, Olty of Aberdeen, from London to Shanghai, Feb. 28, D. MoB. Patk, from Sunderland to Singapore and Honkhong.

March I, Isles of the South, from Cardiff to Hongkong. March 1, Brown Brothers; from Cardiff to Honghong. LOADING FOR CHIRD AND FARAN PONTS

At Liendon: -Steamers dia Subs Canal Toviot: Soindia. Gleneagles, Salling Vessels. Sir Lancelot. Dike of Abercorn. Kalsow: Cores. Antwerp: Commissary)

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#### CARGO.

Per City of Tokio, sailed 14th April, 1877 :- For Yokohama, 6,489 bags Sugar, 549 pieces Wood, 87 pkgs. Merchandise, 90 pkgs. Uil, 13 pkgs. Medicine, 12 pkgs. Cordage, 10 pkgs. Ginger, 8 pkgs. Hides, and flasks Quicksilver. For San Francisco, 0,851 bage Rice, 9,260 bags Sugar, 100 baga Beans, 455 baga Coffee, 105 baga Black Pepper, 12 bags White Pepper, 90 bags Tapicea, 35 bags Sago, 67 bags Cloves, 82 pkgs. Mace, 22 pkgs. Cinnamon, 20 pkgs. Nutmegs, 50 slabs Tin, 750 bales homp, 12 pkgs. Cigars, 115 pkgs. Tea, 1,400 pkgs. Merchandise, 2 pags. Raw Silk, 24 page. Prepared Opium, and 3 pkgs. Crude Opium. For San Jose, 1 case Silks. For La Libertad, 8 cases Floss Silk. - For Punta Arenas, 5 cases Silks, 50 rolls Matting, and 4 pkgs. Merchandise. For Callao, 27 pkgs Malwa Opium, 18 pkgs. Sili, and 2 pkgs. Merchandise. For Cincinnati, 13 pkgs Curios. For New York, 192 bales Kaw Silk, 300 rolls Matting, 400 half-chests Tea, and 2 pkgs. Merchandise.

#### POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS MAILS will close:-

For SHANGHAL .-Per YANGTSZE, at 3.30 p.m., on Friday, the 20th inst. For MANILA.

Per ESMERALDA, at 1.80 a.m., on Saturday, the 21st inst. For BANGKUK. -Per DANUBE, at 5 p.m., on Wednes-

day, the 25th inst.

For KIUNGOHOW, PAKHOI AND HAI-PHONG. Per WASHI, is postponed until further notice.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET .-

The French Contract Packet DJEMNAH. will be despatched from Hongkong on THURSDAY, the 19th Instant, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, vid Marseilles; to Salgon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Seychelles, Réunion, Mauritius, Suez, and Alexandria. This is the best opportunity for forwarding Correspondence to E. Africa, the Cape, St. Helena, and Assension. Letters may also be forwarded to INDIA

by this Packet, The following with be the hours of closing . the Mails, do, ;--

Wednesday, 10th inst. 5 P.M., Money Order Office closes, Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night, Thursday, 19 h inst .-

A.M. Post Other opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence. 10 A.M., Registry of Letters coases. 11 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late F

11.10 A.M., Letters (but Letters only) except those to and through Australia may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until

11.30 A.M., when the Post Office CLOSES entirely. programme Hongkong, April 5, 1877.

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET. will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on SATURDAY, the 21st Instant

The following will be the hours of closing the Malls, do. Friday, 20th Instant. -

5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. 6 P.M., Post Office closes except the NIGHT Box, which remains open all night.

Eaturday, 21st Instant .-7 A.M., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters ceases. (10.15 A.M., Letters may be posted with

Postage till 11 A.M., when the Post Office CLOSES entirely. A.M., Letters (but Letters only addressed to the United Kingdom Via Brindisi or to Singapore, ma be posted on board the Packet with

11.50 A.M., when the Mail is finally Hongkong, April 14, 1877.

Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage

MAILS BY THE TORRES STRAITS PACKET .-Contract Packet GEELONG will be despatched from Hongkong with Mails for Singapore, Somerset, Cooktown, Cleveland Bay, Bowen, Keppel Bay, Brisbane, Sydney, Tas mania, New Zealand, and Melbourne. Correspondence cannot be Registered after

10 s.m. The Mails will be closed at 10 a.m. Late Letters 10.15 to 11.

Correspondence for New Zealand must be specially directed vid Torres Stratts, or it will be sent via Galle, Correspondence for Southern Australia can

be sent by this route if de ired, as a general rule it is better to send it vis Galle. Hongkong, April 14, 1877.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET. The United States Mail Packet GAELIC will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 1st May, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, the United States, and Londun, which will be closed as follows :--2 r. M. Registry of Letters coasca.

9.80 r.m. Post-Office closes. 2.80 2. M. Correspondence for Japan or the United States only may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 12 cents

extra Postage until 2.50 r.m. when the Mall is finally closed. that we had a maximum temperature as Correspondence must be specially directed for this route, and if not fully prepaid will be sent by British Packet. Hengkong, April 18, 1877.

## General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, April 20:-Noon. -General Weekly Sale by Menure Lane, Crawford & Co. p.m. - Yangtsze leaves for Shanghai it was 86 degrees. The value of these

and Newchwang. Goods per Fleurs Castle undelivered after this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, April 21:--Noon, -- English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe. Noon. -- Esmeralda leaves for Manila.

Monday, April 23:--2 p.m. - Sale of Household Furniture, at Mr Adam Sienkiewicz's residence, Robinson Road.

GESDAY, April 24:-3 p.m. - Gadshill leaves for Singapore and Penang. -

WEDNESDAY, April 25:-11 a.m. - Meeting of Creditors in Thomas Thornton Anthony, a Bankrupt, at the Court House.

FRIDAY, April 27:--2 p m. - Sale of Household Furniture, at Mr F. Peil's residence, Praya East. SATURDAY, April 28:-

Tartar leaves for Shanghai and Hankow on or about this date. TUESDAY, May 1:-S p.m. -- Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San

Francisco. TUESDAY, May 15:-3 p.m.-American Mall leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

## MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW

Shipping. Daylight. - Yesso leaves for Coast Ports. Noon.-French Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

Goods per-Glenearn undelivered after this date subject to rent, Auction.

Noon .- Sale of Household Furniture, at No. 84, Hollywood Road, Meeting.

#### 4.30 p.m .- Meeting of Members of the H. K. Club at the Club House.

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## THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 1877.

THE report of the Colonial Surgeon for LATE FEE of 18 cents extra 1876 places us in possession of a large number of interesting and important facts. Towards the close of last year a very uncomfortable feeling prevailed in the Colony, and lymph for vaccination rose to a premium, through the circulation of reports as to the ravages smallpox was making here, especially among the native population. It seems that this fear of the terrible disease was not without foundation, for Dr. Ayres tells ap21 us that 17 small-pox patients were admitted into the Civil Hospital, of whom 1 died, and no less than 189 into the Tung Wah Hospital, of whom 104 died and 13 remained in the Hospital at the beginning of 1877. One hundred and on SATURDAY, the 21st instant, four deaths, or more, out of one hundred and eighty-nine patients, seem to be a large proportion, even in face of the fact, added by Doctor Ayres, that a great number of the deaths occurred in children under four years of age. The Doctor asserts that "the small-pox opidemic had been unusually severe during the season." While the health of both the military and police force was apparently Hongkong yesterday morning (17th). better during the year, yet was there a slight increase in the mortality among Our daily contemporary in the Straits the European community, the percentage believes that Mr Pope Hennessy and family being 2.93 as compared with 2,34 in 1875 Dr Ayres adds the significant remarks "The accounts I have given of the sanitary state of the town of Victoria makes it a matter of wonder that the mortality is so small, not that it should fluctuate in the way it does, increasing a little one been arrested and confined to gaol. year and decreasing the next," After this there should be little doubt as to the cause of the non-appearance of Colonial Surgeon's report for 1875. may be safely inferred that it contained a pretty vigorous onslaught on "the nefarious system of drainage," and possibly, other faults of construction, in this fair city. Everybody has been steadily tinder the impression that we had a very mild stimmer last year, but although that belief may be a well founded one, it seems

great last year as we have suffered under-

in any of the last eight years, excepting

remarks would be enhanced considerably Teresa leaves for Manila on or about this if the average temperature was given each year, as the mere record of the highest and lowest temperature during the twelve months does not afford the slightest idea as to what sort of a summer or winter has been experienced We are glad to see that Dr. Ayres is an advocate of flogging. He says: "It sented to-day. appears to me a pity that a flegging act is not in force the same as in India. I think less harm is done to the prisoner by a good caning than by starvation for 7, 14, or 21 days, as the case may be, on rice and water, a punishment which in many cases it is impossible to carry out, I think a caning would be more effectual in preventing the return of prisoners to gaol, anyhow it would make a considerable reduction in their numbers if such an act applied to petty thefts, &c." For our own part, instead of keeping a hardened criminal shut up for a number of years performing some useless labour while he is maintained at the expense of the public, we would make some considerable reductions in the term of his imprisonment and give him an occasional deterrent to the commission of crime at Brisbane. either in acto or future than confinement in prison. When we say this we do not mean that we would flog all prisoners or felons indiscriminately. There are many offences for which flogging would not be a suitable punishment, and perhaps only hardened offenders; or those who have committed crimes of violence, should be submitted to the indignity of the lash-at least in dealing with Europeans, who in a general way have more refined feelings than the Chinese, and who, in many cases if they were flogged for comparatively trivial offences might lose all respect for themselves and become irretrievably ruined, who have been guilty of great brutality and showed their utter unfitness to be treated like other human beings, we would in maintaining at the public exponse a l our worse offenders in prison for the greater portion of their lives, and some radical reforms are needed in the matter. The remarks of Dr Ayres in regard to opium-smoking we commend to the attention of the Anti-Opium Society. The Colonial Surgeon expresses his deliberate opinion that opium smoking, as practised by the majority, has very little permanent effect upon the system, and that it can be stopped as easily as tobaccosmoking. This opinion is the result of considerable experience in treating opium consumers both here and in India. With the opium eater, an individual rather rare in China, the case isfar different. "The effects of opiumsmoking, and opium-eating," says Dr Ayres, "seem to have been confounded together in the minds of the English public. The opium-smoker gives himself up to sensual indulgence, is lazy and incapable of work when he carries it to excess; in moderation it is no more harmful than tobacco. and stopping it causes as little inconvenience in most cases. Far different is it with the opium-eater; to stop his allowance, when the habit is a confirmed one among Indians, is certain death."

pared with 90 degrees last year.

which is the lowest it has been for the

past eight years, excepting in 1871 when

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS. SUPPLIED TO THE "CHINA MAIL."

(By Southern Route.) London, 15th April, 1877. ERIOUS ASPECT OF THE EASTERN QUESTION

PANIC IN LONDON. The belief that War is imminent is so general that a panic prevails in London.

ADVANCE OF THE RUSSIANS. A Russian army is advancing on Jassy (in Moldavia) across the Pruth. All reserves on furlough are ordered to

A FRESH COMPLICATION. Persia has advanced claims to Bagdad.

# LOCAL AND GENERAL

THE French mail arrived as we went t

THE P. & O. steamer Eambest, with the next English mail, left Singapore for

are on board the Zambesi, which left Singapore yesterday for this port. We hear from Macao that a patty Mandarin, who was collecting black-mail from the Opium, Fantan and Waising Farmers, has

A MATIVE seaman in charge of a salt junk was summoned by Inspector Cameron for having neglected to report the junk's arrival. He pleaded ignorance of the law, but was fined 65 or ten days' imprisonment,

THE Criminal Sessions of the Supreme Court were formally opened and adjourned til Monday next, the only officer in Court besides the Judge being the Usher, who performed the coremony of opening and myl 1878, when it was 91 degrees as corp. adjourning the Court in the unual manuer.

The | A CONFIRMATION for native Christians beminimum temperature was 37 degrees, longing to the Congregation of St. Stephen's Church was held by Bishop Burdon this afternoon at the Cathedral, when some 26. -candidates (male and female) mustered at the time appointed to receive that rite. All of them, we learn, were baptized as adult converts from heathenism, and we congratulate the resident Missionary of the Church Missionary Society upon the promising character of the work as evidenced by those he pre-

See Arthur Kennedy has had a very good opportunity of testing the working of the quarantine laws of Australia. The Killarney brings the news that, on the arrrival of the Brisbane at Cooktown, she was quarantined owing to a death from heart-disease which had occurred on board during the voyage, and a solitary case of small-pox. It was a great disappointment to the good people of Cooktown, as well as Sir Arthur. They had, it appears, made great preparations for giving him a hearty reception. As it was, they were forced to content themselves with presenting their addresses alongside 'the vessel. As will be seen in taste of the rod. We are firmly con. another column, great preparations were vinced that flogging is a far greater being made for His Excellency's reception

THE first Anniversary of the Temperance Hall was celebrated on Monday evening by an entertainment of a miscellananeous charsoter. Mr Lister occupied the chair, and in his opening remarks said that it seemed more than a year since Admiral Ryder opened the adjoining building, but it was not, He thought what had been done by the institution since its opening could be very well summed up in the words of Mr Samuel Weller-"We shan't be bankrupts, and we shan't make our fort'ns. We eats But for those hardened offenders who our biled mutton vithout capers, and doesn't are constantly appearing in the dock and | care about horse radish ven ve can get who seem to spend the greater part of beef." The institution had not made money, their life in prison, or for those offenders but at the same time it had nearly if not quite paid its way so far, which was a great deal. He believed they were a little in debt, but have flogging and very little else than it was not yet quite certain whether they flogging. There is something rather farcical were or were not. He would also like to make a few remarks about these entertainments. He thought they were popular, but they had yet a deal to learn in regard to the bills of fare. If there was not, good people went away dissatisfied, filling somehow it was their own fault and the fault of the Chairman. He thought he could promise them a good bill of fare that evening. The entertainment was then proceeded with and apparently gave great satisfaction. Dr. -Dennys gave a very interesting sketch of the progress made in telegraphy, concluding his remarks by an allusion to the telephone or sound telegraph, which he said was the latest invention in telegraphic matters. The kindersymponie or toy-band was both novel and good. Some part songs, a very pretty song by a coloured gentleman entitled the Fisher Maid, a Violin Solo, and a very good rendering of the speech of Sergeant Buzfuz, were amongst the pieces served up-A large number of ladies were present, in fact more than could be accommodated in good places for hearing and seeing. By the expenditure of a little money the hall might no doubt be made a very commodious one. There were at the very lowest computation upwards of 250 people present. The meeting separated shortly before 11, after wishing the institution many happy returns of the

> LATE Australian papers contain the following regarding Sir Arthur Kennedy and the

> quarantine laws there :--Brisbans, March 22.-Governor Kennedy's official lauding is expected to take place on Monday. His Excellency will land at the new wharf, and the arrangements which h ve been made denote that a very cordial reception will be given. The Government will entertain 400 volunteers, and the Corporation will give a free display

of fire-works in the gardens. The Torres Straits mail steamship Brisbans arrived at Cooktown on Monday, and was refused pratique, as the has a case of small-pox on board. The telegraph wires were interrupted, and as there is no quarantine accommodation at Cooktown, the caps tain of the Brisbans decided to proceed to Townsville and communicate with the authorities. The Government have ordered the vessel to Keppel Bay to await instruct tions; but the Chinese on board the ressel will probably, under all circumstances, be quarantined there. The case of small por appeared on March 6th, and is now fading away. The mails for Cooktown were

fumigated and landed. 23rd March.-Captain Balfour, of the Brisbane, reports having met with yery bad weather and incessant raine. The small-pox patient on board the steamer is convalescent, the ertiption on his face and limbs being very light. In fear of further infestion the man has been strictly isolated;

WE (Shanghai Courter) hear from what we believe to be ungestionable, though not official, sources, that the extension of the Woosung railway to Soochow is not only decided upon but is to be carried into immediate effect. Some time ago, as our readers may remember, we mentioned the fact of some surveyors having inspected the creeks and ditthes on the Hongker side with the avowed object of making railway bridges over them. It is said that the new line is to have a very much wider gage than the present, four feet and a half being the measurement quoted to tis. This is the best piece of news we have had the

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## Police Intelligence.

(Before James Russell, Esq ) 18th April, 1877.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION.

Leong A Cheung, a shop-coolie, charged with carrying, with another man not in custody, a basket containing the carcases of pigs and three ducks. This was at the unusual hour of 9 p.m. He was convicted of unlawful possession, and was fined £10 or 3 months' hard labour.

LARCENY. Tam Afoo, a coolie, and Wan Achin were charged with stealing and receiving spectively two buckets from the Italian Convent on the night of the 14th inst. were sent to two months' and fourteen days' hard labour respectively.

## SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION. (Before His Lordship the Unief Justice Sir John Smale.)

April 18, 1877.

the rest for the value of a quantity of wear- forfeited. ing apparel and other effects detained by By Mr Dennya :- I do not think I looked the defendant, the Captain of the steamer into the log, the man having admitted in the regular course of business on Tue day beaten him and I asked the Captain what next, but as the steamer was leaving imme- it was, / I he replied that he had given diately, the hearing was taken out of the him a c , on the head at times, I knew ordinary routine by consent of the plaintiff. there was punishment provided for deser-

Mr Dennys for the defendant. In opening the case for the plaintiff, to inprisonment. Mr Wotton stated that this was an action brought to recover a sum of \$2.8.66 for wages as steward on .. board the Washi at \$20 a month for ten months and thirteen days, and for the value of a quantity of wearing apparel and a few other things detained by the defendant, making in all a claim for \$296.92. For the defence a set-off for \$162.50 was plaimed, but this was said by the plaintiff to have been previously settled on an account which was paid on the 5th April severely beaten on such occasions. I was by the defendant. The facts were these; only slapped and kicked. While I was the plaintiff joined the ship in October, sitting outside the galley one day, after 1875, at Hongkong, and remained as I had been disrated, the defendant came steward until the 29th January, 1877, up and kicked me. This took place at him from performing his duty. The several hours on the 29th January, in plaintiff was on the ship's articles, but he a place where I could not sit left on the 18th February while the ship erect. It was the store-room and was a was at Haiphong. He left in consequence, very confined place. It was only two feet Mr Wotton allege i, of the very bad treat | high and I could not stand up. I was kept ment he received from the Captain, who there 2 or 3 hours. When the cover was assaulted him and confined him in the store-room. The plaintiff having left her when I got to the pantry door, I fainted. at Haiphong came here afterwards. Sub- No entry from any log book was read to sequently the ship arrived here on the 3rd | me. I left the thip on the 13th February. of April, and the plaintiff went on board We were leaving Singapore on the 29th the following day and presented a bill to January for Saigon, where we stopped 3 or the Captain for certain articles of food 4 days. I did not go ashore as I did not which the plaintiff had supplied to the know the place. During the voyage to Omgers' Mess. He asked the defendant to Saigon, I was given a great deal of hard pay this bill, but the defendant tore it, work to do, but I was not otherwise illthrew the pieces into the water and struck | treated until arrival at Salgon. We then the plaintiff several times on the face. Afterwards the Captain tied the plaintiff by the queue to the rigging as a deserter. The Police were signalled, but for some reason they did not arrive, so the defendant took the plaintiff down into the Store and looked him up. He then

plaintiff. His Lordship asked if the official record of the case was in Court.

convenient for Capt. Thomsett to attend: here in the morning, and he had not therefore subpoensed him. If it appeared, however, necessary later on that he should attend, Mr Wotton would then apply for a aubpoense.

His Lordship said it was not for the Court to say whether Capt. Thomsett's attendance was necessary or not, it was for Mr Wotton to do so on behalf of his client. Mr Wotton then applied for a subposus.

His Lordship directed that a note should be sent to Captain Thomsett requesting him to attend and to bring with him the record of the case.

Mr Wotton then continued his statement of the case and observed that the items claimed as set-off had been settled in the bill presented on the 3rd Ap il on account of the mess which had been allowed by the Magistrate. The present claim was for wages and had bothing to do with the mess If the plaintiff had no claim against the defendant for wages as the latter alleged, it was a curious fact that he should have at the last moment put in a set off for \$160.50. Mr Wotton then proceeded to call evidence.

Wong Awai was then called and deposed as follows :- I am the plaintiff in this case. I reside at No. 1, Scott Lane. lam a ship's steward. I was engaged on board the British steamer Washi in 1875 as the Captain's servant, with \$3 a month as wages. On the 17th March 1876 I became the chief cteward at \$20 a month, besides providing for the officers' mess at \$30 a-bead a month, or \$150 a-month for five men. have not received any wages since 17 March 1876. I had received only \$75 on account of wages, but that sum had been deducted from the mess account, and was not regarded as wages but as payment on

account of the mess. His Lordship enquired if the plaintiff had any books to shew.

Mr Wotton said he had, but they were detained on board by the Captain.

Mr Dennys said he had a list of the plaintiff's effects, but he was not aware that he had any books.

His Lordship asked Mr Dennys for his authority for detaining the man's goods. Mr Dennys said the Captain detained them under the 243rd Section of the Merchant Shipping Act. They were detained as the effects of a deserter; besides no

blaim had been made for them. His Lordship said it had been decided that he was no deserter, Bir Dennys replied that It had not been

so decided yet; it was only Mr Wotten's assertion. His Lordship remarked that that remained to be seen from Capt. Thomsett's investigs. tion. If it was found that the plaintiff was

no deserter, then the defendant had been liegally detaining the plaintiff's effects. Continued :- I cannot recollect the date the \$75 were paid. I have an entry in my book. Which was in my box on board the ship when I left her. The \$75 were given in different sums on four different occasions, vis., \$20, \$20, \$60 and \$5. They were Continued :- The Captain had been very made during the 5th, 6th, 7th and 6th beauty last year. The \$75 were put to the

provision account, and the matter had been before the Marine Magistrate. I made up an account and presented it to the defendant. The \$75 appeared there. A Chinaman surnamed Wal made it out for me, and I left it at the Kwong Hing shop. Captain Thomsett having arrived was

examined :- The plaintiff was before me on the 5th April, charged with being deserter from the Washi. I discharged him from custody; there was no sentence passed on him. It was not brought to my knowledge the question of wages, nor of the detention of his clothes. The plaint if then said in his defence that the Capt. had beaten him; I do not recollect his saying anything to me about the fredid not last more than five minutes. 1 discharged him from custody. The plaintiff admitted that he had deserted, and urged in defence that he was beaten. I discharged him from oustody instead of sending. him to imprisonment because he as a deserter had forfeited his wages and effects, Wong Awai v. A. Hunter, \$296.92. - This and I thought that would meet the justice was a claim for wages at \$20 a month for of the case. I had not then in my mind ten months and thirteen days, \$208.00, and the amount of wages or effects he would have

The case was to have been taken | the desertion. He said the Captain had Mr Wotton appeared for the plaintiff, and tim by the Merchant Shipping Act, and this was why. I did not send the plaintiff

The plaintiff continued his evidence: The \$75 was entered in the account I made on the 4th April which I took on board the steamer in the afternoon. The defendant tore up the bill, threw it overboard, and tied me up by the queue. He struck me and kicked me. He beat me a good deal and then looked me up down below. On the 29th January last, I was beaten and locked up. I was frequently beaten, but

taken up, I got out by climbing up, and

left Saigon for a new port named Haingan, and during the voyage I was not allowed to go into the cabins. A white jacket was found underneath a wash-stand, and although it did not belong to me, the defendant blamed me for it, beat me and kicked me. We then went to Haiphong. took him to the Police chop, thence On the way, when all the men became seahe was taken before the Marine Magistrate, sick, the defendant ordered me to serve the saloon to get the plates, the defendant beat me and kicked me, complaining that I was too late. When I was outside the galley, Mr Wotton said he knew it would be in. | the defendant gave me a blow on the head which caused me to fall against a harchway. He then kicked me. This was four days before we arrived at Haiphong. We arrived at

noon on New Year's day, and during the night the defendant looked up every place so that I could not get at my bedding, and I had to sleep on the main-deck, exposed to the cold. About 7 p.m. I received a letter from a friend, advising me to come ashore to get a doctor to attend to my Consul. My eye was blackened, while I was not in his office and he did not see my on his face, or cheek, or eye.

This cook also left the vessel. told me that if I went on board, the

on the articles are fair values.

into Court. included in the deductions.

The plaintiff was then examined on the carried the boxes. items of the Captain's set-off, and he admitted having received them;

By Mr Dennys |-The first ill-treatment I seceived was on the 29th January. His Lordship called for the ship's log. the plaintiff's leaving the ship. He sup-The fact of the plaintiff's desertion was posed the plaintiff left betatise he was disentered there, but there was no entry rated. The plaintiff had never been illwhatever of the plaintiff having been

Mr Dennys said the Captain denied that he had ever awarded punishment to the drunk or the worse for liq or. plaintiff which was severe enough for entry

kind to me all the time, and the first ill- plaintiff was turned out of the cabin for personal disapproval of Extraordinary

His treatment of me was so good that form his duties. I know of no other reawas also a French Man-of-war anchor- him, might have threatened to flog him if ing close to where the Washi was. There he did not do what I told him. Captain that I was going ashore because he a black eye at any time : if he had, witness was not on board. I had no permission believed he should have seen it. from any one to go ashere. The Chief MrGeorge Elliott, 2nd officer of the Waski, quency of the beating. But the impression Officer was on board, but he would not was called :- He had been 2nd officer for on my mind was that there was very little speak to me. I was on had terms with the some time. He knew the plaintiff, and rebeating; he shewed no marks. I don't Chief Officer, who would strike me when- membered the ship being in Haiphong on questhed for the saving of life without and that the whole body of Chinese merthink he made any complaint of having ever I came across him. From the time the 13th February. The steward was on reckless expenditure. The Viceroy regrett. chants would be only too happy to support been tied by the queue. The whole thing I left Singapore, I had never asked the board the first day they arrived. Witness ed the increasing military expenditure, but Chinese steamers. Although the profits appeared so trivial that the whole enquiry Captain for any money. I had never asked saw him before 6 p.m. standing aft. He attributed it chiefly to charges not under gained by opposition boats have been slight him for \$100 while in Singapore. The did not see the plaintiff leave the vessel, the control of the Indian Government. and the quantity of goods carried in them with me from which I made out the bills pro- seen the plaintiff struck on that voyage by peaceful character of the Frantier policy. with me when I went ashore. When I was have seen it. struck on the cheek, the Captain was drunk,

tain was not on board when I went ashore; was tied to the boom on that occasion. the Chief Officer was on boar I, and I came ashore without his knowledge. - There was His Lordship adjourned further hearing till a second officer, and he saw me leave. I to-morrow week. did not speak to him. When I left the ship. I intended to return. I had no fear of I cannot recollect the dates; I was not | returning on board then. My fears began when I was advised by the cook not to go back. The Captain ordered the Chief Mate to look me up if I should return on board. I was told this by the cook.

Mr Wotton now closed his case, on condi when the Captain, the defendant, forbade Haiphong. I was also looked up for tion that he should have an opportunity of calling one or two more witnesses to confirm the plaintiff's story. He observed the question before the Court was desertion or no desertion, and whether the plaintiff had a right to desert or not. When that point was settled, he dared say he could agree with Mr Dennys as to the accounts, which as they at present stood, -without any expla ation-were simply nothing.

Mr Dennys then opened his case, and

Captain Adam Hunter, who deposed as follows :- I have been in command of the Washi since October 1875. The plaintiff joined me as my servant, receiving \$8 a month. He signed the articles. The articles produced were the third set he signed under these he was to receive \$20 a month as steward. He left the ship on the 13 h February when I was ashore. I returned on board about 8 p.m., having gone ashore at 2 p.m. The ship was anchored close to the shore, and there was no difficulty to get ashore. I discovered the next morning that he had left the ship, and I reported to the French Vice Consul, at Haiphong from up the river state that the result of the official log on the 14th. The entry was therefore not the winner. witnessed by the 2nd mate. The Washi remained at Haiphong 7 or 8 days and then left for Touron, and returned to Haiphong, where she remained about ten days. There were only two vessels in the river, so that the Easter recess. she could be seen by any one on shore. It is false that I had ill-treated the plaintiff. It is not true that I was drunk on one anxiety. occasion when I struck the plaintiff. I am positive I was not in liquor.

might have given him a push on the 36,000 in a fortnight and of 120,000 in two I made a report to the French | shoulder, but never a blow which would months. cause a mark. I never heard him call felt pain on the side and hip. The Consul out "save life" I never saw a mark a Chinese doctor to attend on me, and my never asked me for leave to go ashore on Bombay Presidency. friend had expended over \$100 on that that voyage to Haiphong. The plaintiff He ard, but not as the caterer.

Captain and officer would look me up in coming to me complaining about there years old. the Treasure Room, a place two or three being no more sulmon fish. I have never Sterling exchange here resterday fell one feet high. I left Haiphong on the 4th hit the man, but I have pushed him. I do per cent. The Gatette says a state of semi-March for Hongkong, arriving here on the up. call pushing him hitting him. I have panic in exchange has undoubtedly set in. 20th. I came in a sailing vecsel. The struck him with my open hand, but I have articles I enumerated in my list of claim never struck him sufficiently Lard to cause Press accuse the British Government of were last seen by me on the 28th January a mark. I solemnly swear that I have leaving Russia the choice of dishonour or last at Singapore. I was not allowed to go not struck him withmy open hand more than | war. into the room where my things were after twice. I cannot recollect having pushed him that time. They were in a bath-room. more than twice. I have never locked him The door was not looked, but I was not | up, never placed him into the store-room. allowed to get there. The prices I put | do not know that he had ever been confined in any small room. He was forbidden to The accounts were here produced by go into the saloon in consequence of a Captain Hunter, and it appeared that in report of his making free with small things one of them, the item of \$75 was credited that were lying about. By small things I as payment on account of wages, and not | meant small chine lying about the sidetransferred to the provision account as the board. There were other servants about the place. Another reason for his being adjournment for the Easter recess." The plaintiff's boxes were also brought forbidden the calcon was that I received a latter from Hongkong about him. The Examined on the bills produced, he said letter was from Mesers Landstein & Co. they were paid after he had been before [Letter produced, and the portion referring the Harbour Master. He did not sign to the plaintiff read, which was to the those receipts; they were signed by effect that Ah You had requested the writers Ah Yon, and he objected to it. He owed to ask the Captain not to advante much the Prince and Princess of Wales for the Ah Yon some \$300, and he transferred money to the plaintiff except for fresh prothe accounts to him. Ah You received the [visions]; that was all that referred to the money from the Captain. He was paid plaintiff I broke open the plaintiff's two \$280, which was the amount after deducting boxes, and the Chief Officer took an what had been paid him; his whole claim inventory of the articles in them. There for mess was over \$500; and the \$75 was were no Chinamen present when the inventory was taken, except the coolies who

letter in Singapore. N'r Henry Morton, the Chief Officer of the Wa Mt. was then called. He proved at Berlin, now returns to St. Petersburg. treated by any officer on board. Brom the time they left Singapore till their arrival

treatment I received was on the 29th, being insuppotent and incepable to per Endgets.

I had signed the articles three times. son. In my opinion he was incompetent. I have some friends at Halphong, among I have never been rough with the plaintiff whom is the opium farmer there. I know further than speaking roughly to him about in principle, and desired its early abolition there is a French Consul there. There the way he did his work. I never struck

were also Fre ch Customs officers and Mr Robert Anderson. Chief Engineer of Harbour Master who can't on board, but the Washi, was examined. He had been I did not complain to any one of them of more than twelve mouths on board. He had the Captain's ill-treatment. I told the never seen the plaintiff ill-treated by any-Captain that I was going ashore to get my body, either the Captain or the officers. bruise cured. This was at 7 p.m. (Witness He never complained of being ill-treated. here corrected himself) I did not tell the Witness did not see that the plaintiff had

Captain always paid me what I asked. My was quite sure of this. Witness did not Allu ling to the efficiency of the Army, he small, the profits on our boats have been account books were left in the ship when I see Captain intoxicated on the voyage from repudiated all hostile designs against heavy and the quantity of goods carried came ashore at Haiphong. I had a memo. Singapore to Haiphong. He had never neighbouring States, and explained the great, so that we do not see we have been sented to the Captain. I had also a memo. the Captain. The plaintiff had no mark on He announced the successful conclusion of steamers owned by Foreign merchants have with me of the quantity of tin provisions his face on the day before he left the ship. the measures commenced by Lord North- earned in freights, above and beyond their I had on board with me. I took this memo. If he had had a black-eye witness should brook for the pacification of Khelat. With working expenses, many hundred thousands

and I called out "save life." The Chinese the plaintiff having been locked up. I are being rebuilt, and agriculture is being receipts only cover their expenses. Their servants came, but no European. While I never go into the cabin; I live forward. I revived by confidence in British influence profits have been limited. Waste has been was locked up in the hold, the Chief officer saw the plaintiff present a bill to the Cap. and power. The unrestrained barbarism put a stop to, and goods and treasure are then came. When the Captain struck me tain in this harbour, and the Captain tore immediately beyond the frontier meant the not now sent exclusively by foreign thips. near the galley, he was nober. I delivered it in halver. The Captain told him to go constant insecurity of the life and property the reduction in freights by opposition over the stock of the ship's provisions to away. After he had gone into the boat, of British subjects, the closing of trade lines, with the intention of fighting us, it the Captain on the 29th January. No the Captain called him to come up again routes, the spoliation of merchants, and a is plain has injured, not benefited them. foreigner except the Captain was present to and tied him by the queue to the boom, chronic disturbance of Indian territory saying he would give him in charge. The This cannot be prevented by military ex-Re-examined by Mr Wotton :- I saw the plaintiff gave dissatisfaction to the Captain | peditions, of which the Vicercy disapprov-French Consulat Haiphong and complained on board. I heard that the plaintiff had ed, but only by the friendly presence and been trying to make the Captain pay more salutary influence of upright English gen-By the Court :- The persons who left at for things than he ought. I seldom come tlemen amongst their barbarous neighbours Haiphong with me were the cook for the in contact with the plaintiff, and I did not He disapproved of spasmodic gifts of arms Chinese and the assistant cook. The Cap- | see him ill-treated, or beaten except that he | and money or of unreciprocated liabilities This closed the case for the defence.

#### CORRESPONDENCE,

THE HONGKONG HUMANE SOCIETY To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, April 18th, 1877. SIR, -Will you allow me space in your issue to draw the attention of the gentlemen forming the philanthropic body known as the "Hongkong Humane Society" towards the advisability of their holding some regular practice, so as to acquire for themselves certain proficiency which will enable them upon any case of emergency to save life and property. In mentioning this it is not my intention to suggest that they are unfit for service, but it is evident, constant drills turn men into good and efficient members in whatever profession they may belong, and suggest this as the typhoon months, which are much to be dreaded after some experiences of the past, are drawing nearer to us.

We already owe much to those who have initiated the establishment of this institution, which is in its infancy yet, and the kind-hearted men who have voluntered for membership.

Respectfully yours, ONE WHO DREADS TYPHOONS.

LATER TELEGRAMS. (Straits Times.)

London, March 24.-Latest telegrams It is believed that the negotiations be-

tween Russia and England have failed. Lord Beaconsfield, Mr Gathorne Hardy, and Lord Salisbury leave town to-day for

Rome. March 26.—The Pope is very feeble, and his condition causes great

Bombay, March 20.-There are now 223,763 people on relief works in the By the Court :- I never kicked him. I B mbay Presidency, showing a decrease of

The Goa News says that the new commercial treaty between the Portuguese and British India Governments will result in eye. I saw him 10 days afterwards, and never said anything to me that he the construction of a railway from Goa to putes. my eye had become a little better. I had wanted to go ashore to see a doctor. He one of the adjacent Collectorates in the

Bombay, March 21.—Mr Lawrence Gresaccount. When I went ashore to get was never disrated; he was the steward all senthwaite, the Cashier of the Bank of cured, the vessel had left for Kwong the time. The charge of supplying the ludia at Lucknow, for whose apprehension Nam, twelve days after I had gone ashore. | mess was taken from him on account of a a thousand rupees was offered, was dis-I intended to have gone back to the letter I received from Hongkong, and from covered in Monday's mail steamer hiding ship, but people advised me not to do so. that time I paid all the provision bills, in a cabin. He had 818 sovereigns, and It was the cook of the ship who told me but he continued to act as the ship's stew: confesses to having obtained rupees 12,000 by forgery. He has been hidden in Bome By Mr Wotton :- I don't remember his bay three weeks. He is only twenty-one

St. Petersburg, March 26. - The Russian

Constantinople, March 26 .- The garrison here has been changed, and replaced by Syrian troops. The Softas are agitating for the recall of Midhat Pasha.

London, March 26 .- The latter part of the telegram of the 24th should read thus -"The Commons were undecided on Mr. Fawcett's motion. The debate was adjourned in consequence of the House approving of the ministerial motion for the OBITUARY :- The Editor of the Econo-

Lahore, March 26 -The Puniab Government has removed its prohibition against publication of race lottery advertisements. Lundon, March 27 -The departure of Mediterranean is deferred for a few days, as the Prince is suffering from a boil Constantinople, March 26,-The Montenegrin delegates have broken off the negociation with the Porte, and will pr bably

leave here on Saturday. London, Mar. 28 .- A renewed hopeful feeling exists. A Cabinet Council has been Re-examined by Mr Dennys i-I got that summoned. Kussia apparently is disposed to make concessions, meeting the views of England. General Iguation who has been Caloutta, March 28. The following is a

summary of the Vie-roy's speech delivered

at the Council held to day Summing up the financial policy of the Government prior to the passing of the Bills at Baighoug, the defendant was never affecting the local rates in the North-Western Provinces, the Viceroy alluded to the deter-By the Court :- I never heard the plain mination of the Government to exclude in tiff cry out "save life." I never taw the future unremunerative public works from plaintiff ill-treated by the Captain. The the extraordinary abcounts. He expressed

upheld the views of Lord Salisbury, and believed the present cotton duty unsound as it was prejudicial to Indian interests. He regretted the impossibility of their immediate reduction, but said that the discretion of the Indian Government, though large, was not unlimited, the cotton duties having been finally condemned by the Secretary of State.

Alluding to the Famine, he favourably contrasted the present estimated expenditure of five and a-half millions for a much larger area of distress, with the Bengal our company by suddenly lowering the Famine, which cost six and three-quarter rates of freight, and thus retain a monopoly millions, though smaller and less serious. He expressed a warm obligation to Lord the authorities of every province would Northbrook for the wise principles be provide for the interests of the company, the freedom of trade now restored in that taels, but since the establishment of the By Mr Wotton :- I heard something of country, life and property are safe, villages | C. M. S. N. Co., we are informed their on behalf of uncivilized States. He briefly alluded to the Conference at Peshawur between Sir Lewis Pelly and the Cabul Envoy, whose untimely death after a long grieving over heavy expenses for carriage. between the Envoys had been friendly, than on board Foreign steamers, where The only security against mutual misun- shippers caunot make complaints. These derstanding and mistrust was to be found | are advantages to the mercantile world of in the adequate means of frank intercourse | China between the two States. The Ameer had been dis urbed by recent events at Con- sion is paid, by the company, in striking stantinople, and religious fanaticism had been stirred up at Cabul; but this could not be he ped. There existed no reason to | and injured, shuffle out of responsibility for depart from the unaggressive policy of the Government,

London, March 27.-French mail per Amazone (Colombo 7th March) delivered. Consols 961. Bar Silver 54 Manchester market dull. 7 lbs. shirtings 6s. 4dd. lbs. shirtings 7s. 44d.

London, March 27 .- An animated debate took piace in the House of Commons tonight on the conduct of Sir Henry Elliot during which Sir Stafford Northcote said the Government objected to the policy of coercion with Turkey, because it would recognised. neutralize the efforts being made by the Porte in favor of its Christian subjects.

Replying to a question by Lord Hartington, bir otafford Northcote said that negotiations were still proceeding between the Great Powers respecting the Russian protocol, and that the principal question was as to the conditions on which it should be signed. Parliament has adjourned for the Easter recess.

OBITUARY .- Field-Marshal Fitzgerald. London, March 29. - Cabinet Council towho heard the case and discharged the dinner, and as I was going down to the of the plaintiff's desertion. I made the University Boat Bace was a dead heat day resolved to favourably consider counter but on the understanding that England reduced by Foreigners; the rates of interest her forces.

London, March 29 -Prince of Wales is recovering. At Cabinet Council yesterday negociations with Russia. English Government sanguine as to result.

Constantinople, March 27. - Turkish deputies yesterday, in discussing address internal affairs of Ports.

Washington, March 28 .- President Hayes has sent commission to Louisiana and invited rival parties to settle their dis-

> The Straits. (Singapore Daily Times.)

His Italian Majesty's steamer Cristoforo Colombo, Captain N. Canevaro, from the Westward, has anchored in the roads en routs to China and Japan.

A telegram to the Hon'ble W. H. Read, Consul General for the Netherlands, states that the following ports on the West Coast of Sumatra have been opened to trade :-"Telok Krost, Rigas, Ki apan, Passir, and Tenom."

> Ohina. SHANGHAT.

(News.) We here that a proclamation has been posted at Wuhu, expressing the strongest satisfaction at the advent of foreigners to

We regret to hear of the loss of the British barque Serpent, an the Shalutein bank, near Taku. The Sorpent left Taku on Friday, the 6th instant, with a cargo of ice for Nagasaki. The same evening a heavy gale came on from the E.N.E. at 8 a.m. on Sunday she struck on the bank about 12 miles from the Taku anchorage. As she was bumping very heavily and making a good deal of water, the crew abandoned her and arrived safely at Taku on Sunday morning in the boats. On Monday, Captain Abel went back in the tug Pathfinder to the wreck, but had not returned when the Sin Nanzing left, on Monday evening. It is feared she will become a total wreck. The Serpent was owned by Mr. C. F. Adams of Nagasaki.

Important telegraphic advices have been received at the United States Consulates General, from Washington, with reference to Consular affairs; but we are not in a position to say what their precise tenor

We notice the arrival per French mail, their Serone Highnesses Prince Alfred Montentiovo and Prince Henri Lichtenstein. They left Vienna in August last to visit the Philadelphia Exhibition, crossed the American continent, sailed from San Francisco to Japan, visited Slam, and now intend to make various excursions to Hankow, Peking, ste. From here they will go to Java, the Straits and India, returning home by Egypti

Regarding the Cotton Duties, he strongly THE CHINA MERCHANTS' STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY. A translation of the report and accounts of the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company is published in the Shanghai papers, and occupies more than a page.

We make the following extracts :-

Referring to foreign competition the report says-" Passage rates between the different ports were also reduced to from 70 to 50 per cent of their former amount. Their idea was that with large capital they could continue running with small profits, and their intention was to bring difficulties on of the carrying trade. They little thought defeated by them. For several years back

Every one understands that to keep the profits of the China carrying trade in China is a good thing, but it is not generally known that by this step we are providing for future emergencies. Thus :-

1st .- n times of drought or disaster when officials or troops have to be moved, the possession of a flee: will be an advantage to our Government.

2ad .- Foreign merchants finding it diffioult to raise freights, there will be no more illness he much regretted. The intercourse | Cargo will be looked after more carefully

> 3rd: -Just compensation in cases of coilicontrast to Foreign steam-ship owners who, when our people's junks have been run into damages. This is an advantage to the iunk men.

4th. -In the unfortunate case of drought or famine, the scale of freight will in simple justice be so adjusted as to attract the shipment of grain. This will be an advantage to the distressed locality.

Looking at our policy in every light it cannot result in harm. Our deep-laid plans must succeed, and the advantage of steamers to the Government, and their convenience to the people, are certain to be universally

DIVIDEND .- The Directors beg to observe that for three years the Company's business may fairly be said to have been prosperous. Un the first year's business a dividend at the rate of 10 per cent. was declared, and on the second a dividend of 15 per cent. The dividend earned in the third year would have been still greater, the Directors feel assured, had not the Yunnan affair remained unsettled throughout the autumn and winter of last year. Owing to Famine in the South during the spring of this year and drought in the North, the carrying report on the 14th, and I made an entry in between the two crews, and that Oxford is proposals made by Russia and sign protocol, trade has not been brisk; freights have been would regard it as not binding in case of | ruling at Shanghai this year for money failure on the part of Russia to demobilize have been excessive; so that after refund of Government advances, which have at this time fallen due, and payment of interest on money lent by Chinese banks a it was unanimously resolved to continue dividend at the rate of 5 per cent only can be declared. Happily the company is indebted to Li Hung-chang, to the Governors-General and Governors of Kiang Su and Chekiang, and to the Customs Superinreply to speech from throne, unanimously tendents at Tientsin and Chefoo, for a repudiated idea of foreign intervention in series of advances amounting in all to Tls. 700,000; and the Governors of Chekiang and Kiang Su have promised to set saids mext spring an extra amount of Government rice for transportation. With these Government advances one shall not lose money b; having to pay interests on bank loans, and with the grain transport business twice what it was before, we may reckon, and look with confidence for a good dividend in the coming year.

> Quotations. Honoxone, April 18, 1877. OPIUM. -- New Patna, cash...: 65774 a 580 New Benares, cash, 550 New Malwa, cash, 560 credit. 565 Allowance Taels, 12 a 40 Old Malwa, cash, 580 Allowance Taels, 32 a 48 Exchange. Bank, on demand, ... 8/11 30 days' sight, ... 3/114 6 months' sight, ... 11 ... 4/01 Oredita. Documentary, 6months' sight, .. 4/0 Bombay, ... ... ... 228 Oaloutta, ... ... 223 Shanghal, demand, ... 78 30 days' .... ... 74 Bar Silver, 17, dwts. B., Mexicans, and and and and Gold Leaf. English Soversigns, 614 ... B Australian Sovereigns, ... 5 Houghong Bank, 27 H.K. Fire Ins. Co., 1540 China Fire Ins. Co., \$148 China Traders' Ins. Co., \$3,200 Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$670 Chinese Insurance Co., \$213 %, with China line. Co., Tis. 915 Yangtaza Ins. Association, Tls. 610 H. R. & W. Dock Co., 35 H.K. C. & M. S. boat Co., \$10 Hongkong Hotel Co., \$55 Chinose Imperial Loan, £103 Temperature: (Taken at Mosers Falsoner & Co.'s Premisos, Quan's Road.) Honescae, April 18, 1877.

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STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILA, PORT SAID, NAPLES, AND MARSEILLES:

ALBO, BOMBAY, MAHE, ST. DENIS, AND PORT LOUIS.

ON THURSDAY, the 19th April, 1877, at Noon, the Company's S. S. 1877, at Noon, the Company's S. S. DJEMNAH, Commandant CHAMPENOIS, with MALLS, PASSENGERS, SPEULE, and UARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of hurope.

Shipping orders will be granted till noon Cargo will be received on board unti 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 18th April, 1877, (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are reouired. For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

Hongkong, April 11, 1877.



STEAM FOR Bingapore, Penang, Point de Galle, Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi, Ancons, Venice, Mediter-

rancan Ports, Southampton and London;

Madras and Calcutta.

THE Paningulae and Orightal Sysan NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steam-ship GEELONG, Captain FRASER, will leave this on SATURDAY, the 21st April, at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to A. LIND, Superintendent, Hongkong, April 14, 1877.

### Oscidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND FOR THE UNITED Passengers STATES AND EUROPE, WITH THE TO TENENTO OF CENTRAL

UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILBOAD COMPANIES

ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

FIRE S. S. "GAELIO" will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on TUESDAY, the 1st May, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe. Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghal.

Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the Soth Inst. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day : all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same a required.

Return Passage Tickets available for 6 months are issued at a reduction of 20 per cent, on regular rates. For further information as to Freight

or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central. G. B. EMORY, Agent. Hongkong, April 3, 1877.

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY,

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, YLA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUGHING AT YOROHAMA, AND BAR BRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer CITY OF PEKING will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on TUESDAY, the 18th May, 1877, at 3 P.M., taking Percengers, and Freight, for Japan, the

United States, and Europe. Through Peasenger Tickets and Bills \$5,000 at reduced rates. 6! Lading are issued for transportation to Tokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to ports in Mezico, Central and South America, and to Now York and MUSODO VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS. A Steamer of the Mitau Blahi S. S. Com-

gang will leave Shanghai, via the Inland Sea Ports, about came date, and make close. connection at Yokohama. At New York, Persongers have selection of verious lines of Steamers to England,

France and Germany. Freight will be received on Board until S p.m. 14th May, Parcel Pachages will be received at the office until 5 p.m.

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Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco. For security's sake, Shippers of Overland Dargo are requested to sudores on the Envelops the Marks and Nos. of Packages

Shipped, to correspond with those in their | THE Undersigned have been appointed Bills of Lading. For further information es to Painego and Breight, apply to the Agency of the

Company, No. 9, Praya Central. RUBSELL & Co. Agents.

Hyngkong, April 15, 1877.

Insurances.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE-HONGKONG.

GENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of Ohina and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang. Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance

granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY PERS. JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Beeretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

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CAPITAL -TWO MILLIONS STRELING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant POLICIES against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Coals in Matsheds, on Goods on board Venneis and on Hulls of Vessels in Haybour, at the usual Terms and Conditions,

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision. If required, protection will be granted on | Colony. first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proap19 posals or any other information, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

> Agents Hongkong & Canton. Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY. THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

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CHUN AYIN.

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A. McIVER, Agent of the Marine Insurance Co. a Hongkong, February 16, 1877.

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Honghops, March 10, 1874.

HONGKONG MARKET PRICES. Corrected to Saturday, April 14, 1877. At 1110 Cash per Dollar Mexican, Pates.

Butcher Meat,

Bacon, English, Curry Stuff, English, Ame. Sugar cured , 800 Egg Plant, .. Foochow, ... Garlie, (bulb) dried, . . Beef, sirloin and prime out, Ginger, Beef Corned, Greens, White Rosst, Soup, Steak, Green Peas, in shell, old ,, Bullooks' Brains, Tongue, fresh, each corned ,, Head, Heart, Feet, Kidneys,

, catty Tripe (undressed), catty 50 Calves' Head and Feet, not Hams, American, . 1b. Chiriose English

Mutton Chop, Shoulder. Liver. Pigs' Ohitlings,

Foot, , Fry, Head Heart Kidneys

LAVOY. Corned, Bat or Lard. Sheeps' Head, and Fest, set

Heart, Kidneys; Foultry.

Eggs, Hen Balt

Pheasants, Canton, live, pair Pigeons, Quail, Rabbits

Snipe. Turkeys, Wild Duck,

Small

. calty

Herrings,

Live Fish,

Lobstons,

Mackerel,

Mullot,

Balt Fish,

Shark, young

White Balt,

Bamboo Shoots,

French from Macao,

Cabbage, White Canton ,,

Common,

Mataty ..

Hongrong, . cash

Turnip, Bohl sach

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red for pickling ,,

Beens, sprout,

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Carrots, Salt

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English Chinese Water Lily Roots, Water Cress. Fruits. Aleurites, ... Apples, Dried Californian. Rose Bananas, fragrant Punti, 140 120 Chestnuts, new, Dates,

400 350 200 160 500 400 Figs, Dried. Ground Nuts. Guavas. Lemons. Lichees, Dried, Loong Ngan, Dried, Loquats. Olives, green, Punti, . catty Oranges, (Coolie) Chang , Sweet, Sun-wooy

(Mand.) coolie (Mandarin) dark-skinned Papaw, 150 180 Pears, Nanking, 160 120 Pears, Chefoo, 120: 100 Punti,

Pine apples, Punti Plantains, common fragrant Plums, Dark-red, Yellow, Green,

Prunes, Dried, . . bottle Pumeloes or Shaddook, each Raisins, Muscatel, 250 240 Salesbury Seeds, Pak-kwo, catty

Sugar Cane, Tamarinds, Water Chemuts, Canton Miscellancous. Alispice, Chinese. English Barley. 1600 1500

1500 1400 600 500 Candled Orange Peel, bottle 750, 700 750 700 Capera, 250 220 Charcoal, 1080 1000 400 350 200 250 Cinnamon. 700 500

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